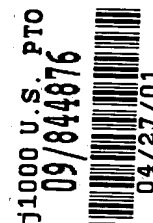


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SIR:

It is respectfully requested that the art listed below be considered in the examination of the subject application and made of record therein. A copy of the art listed below is enclosed.

5,871,329 discloses (FIG. 1) powered, folding ramp 10 for
Tidrick et al. minivan wherein power unit 14 is above floor
February 16, 1999 level;

It is respectfully submitted that the invention as described and claimed is not disclosed or suggested by the prior art listed above.

Respectfully submitted,

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